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Rockville: Portrait of a City is an engaging look at our city's past. Author Eileen McGuckian paints a vibrant portrait of the rural crossroads that was destined to become a thriving American community. Years of researching the town's history, and a familiarity with the hearts of its citizens, shine in McGuckian's narrative.

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